Amendments to the Claims:

This listing will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1-4. (cancelled)

5. (previously presented) A medium according to claim 21, in which the porous foamed hydrophilic polymer includes at least one polymer selected from the group consisting of polyvinyl alcohol, polyethylene oxide, polyvinyl pyrrolidone and gelatin.

6. (previously presented) A medium according to claim 21, in which the support is made of a material selected from the group consisting of resin-coated paper, PET, acetate and printing plate.

7. (previously presented) A medium according to claim 21, which includes a fluorosurfactant.

8. (cancelled)

9. (previously presented) A medium according to claim 21, in which the proportion by weight of a surfactant to coating solution used in the preparation of the medium is in an amount from about 0.01% to about 2.0%.

10. (canceled)

11. (Currently amended) A medium according to claim 21 ~~10~~, in which the proportion by weight of blowing agent used in the preparation of said medium to hydrophilic polymer is up to about 200%.

12. (previously presented) A medium according to claim 11, in which the proportion by weight of blowing agent used in the preparation of said medium to hydrophilic polymer is in an amount from about 10% to about 60%.

13-15. (cancelled)

16. (currently amended) A porous inkjet recording medium consisting essentially of:

a support; and

one or more porous ink receiving layers, supported on said support, consisting essentially of a porous foamed hydrophilic polymer which hydrophilic polymer is swellable, decomposition product of a blowing agent, and optionally a surfactant, wherein the porous foamed hydrophilic polymer is formed by the decomposition of a blowing agent in a layer coated from a solution of said swellable hydrophilic polymer,

wherein the one or more porous ink receiving layer(s) are capable of absorbing dye from an applied ink within the polymer, differing from other porous inkjet recording media in which dye is held in pores located between particles.

17. (previously presented) A medium according to claim 21, which comprises a plurality of said porous hydrophilic polymer ink receiving layers.

18. (previously presented) A medium according to claim 16, which comprises a plurality of said porous ink receiving layers.

19. (previously presented) An inkjet recording medium according to claim 21, wherein the ink receiving layers of said inkjet recording medium consist of said one or more porous hydrophilic polymer ink receiving layers.

20. (previously presented) An inkjet recording medium according to claim 16, wherein the ink receiving layers of said inkjet recording medium consist of said one or more porous ink receiving layers.

21. (currently amended) An inkjet recording medium consisting essentially of:

a support; and

one or more porous hydrophilic polymer ink receiving layer(s) supported on said support, said one or more porous hydrophilic polymer ink receiving layer(s) consisting essentially of a porous foamed hydrophilic polymer in which the hydrophilic polymer is swellable, decomposition product of a blowing agent, and, optionally, a surfactant, wherein the porous foamed hydrophilic polymer is formed by the decomposition of a blowing agent in a layer coated from a solution of said swellable hydrophilic polymer,

wherein the one or more porous hydrophilic polymer ink receiving layer(s) are capable of absorbing dye from an applied ink within the polymer.

22. (currently amended) An inkjet recording medium consisting essentially of:

a support; and

one or more porous hydrophilic polymer ink receiving layer(s) supported on said support, said one or more porous hydrophilic polymer ink receiving layer(s) consisting essentially of a porous foamed hydrophilic polymer in which the hydrophilic polymer is swellable, decomposition product of a blowing agent, and, optionally, either a crosslinker or a crosslinker and a surfactant, wherein the porous foamed hydrophilic polymer is formed by the decomposition of a blowing agent in a layer coated from a solution of said swellable hydrophilic polymer,

wherein the one or more porous hydrophilic polymer ink receiving layer(s) are capable of absorbing dye from an applied ink within the polymer.